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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2000, be extended for a period of 1 month(s) from January 4, 2001 to and including February 4, 2001. Applicants note that the statutory deadline for responding to the instant office action (*i.e.*, February 4, 2001) is a Sunday. Accordingly, Applicants submit that this response is timely filed as it is being submitted on or before the next business day (*i.e.*, Monday, February 5, 2001).

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$110.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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